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MIAMI SHORES, Fla. - The No. 4-ranked and host Barry University Buccaneers handed the top-ranked and three-time defending DII national champion Armstrong Atlantic State University women's tennis squad its first loss since 2009 with a 6-3 victory on Friday afternoon in Miami Shores, Fla.

The loss halts a school-record 69-match win streak by the Lady Pirates (21-1), while Barry (17-1) picks up its first win against Armstrong in women's tennis since 2003.

The Bucs took a 2-1 lead after doubles play as Laura Boguet and Barbi Pocza defeated Aleksandra Filipovski and Barbora Krtickova, 8-3, at No. 1 doubles and Julie Stas and Olivia Matuszak beat Kathleen Henry and Joanna Szymczyk, 8-2, at No. 3 doubles. Alida Muller-Wehlau and **Tina Ronel** picked up the Lady Pirates' lone doubles point with an 8-3 win over Angie Werschel and Alex Gwizdowski at No. 2 doubles.

In singles play, Armstrong won the first set in the top four singles matches, but Barry rallied for a pair of third-set wins, coupled with wins at the bottom of the lineup to spring the upset. Stas recorded a 6-2, 6-2 win over Jessica Gardefjord at No. 6 singles as Joanna Szymczyk had to bow out of singles play with an injury. Mansour claimed a 6-3, 6-0 win over No. 46-ranked Henry at No. 5 singles as well.

The Pirates got straight-set singles wins at No. 3 singles from No. 11-ranked Krtickova over Wendling, 6-2, 7-5, and by No. 20-ranked Ronel, 6-3, 6-2 over Gwizdowski at No. 4 singles.

No. 8-ranked Pocza clinched the match by fighting off three second-set match points against No. 5-ranked Muller-Wehlau, prevailing 3-6, 7-6 (2), 6-1, while No. 33-ranked Werschel also notched a come-from-behind win with a 6-7 (8), 6-1, 6-3 win over No. 14-ranked Filipovski at No. 2 singles.

The Lady Pirates return to action on Saturday with a 10:00 a.m. match at Lynn University - the last team to beat the Lady Pirates before Friday's loss.





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